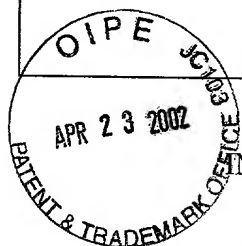


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In the application of:

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Application No.: 10/057,847

Filing Date: January 25, 2002

For: 8-PHENYL-6,9-DIHYDRO-
[1,2,4]TRIAZOLO[3,4-*i*]PURIN-5-ONE
DERIVATIVES

Examiner: To Be Assigned

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**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE
CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, please enter the following amendment.

Applicants would like to note that a Withdrawal of Previously Sent Notice accompanied the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers (mail date of April 5, 2002). The Withdrawal of Previously Sent Notice stated that the Notice mailed on February 27, 2002 was sent in error. The Notice sent February 27, 2002 was a Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application. Applicants responded to Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application on March 20,

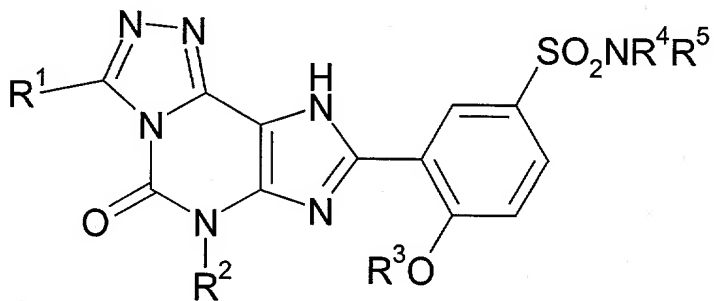
2002. Applicants believe the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application was to be expected as the Declaration and Filing Fees had not yet been submitted.

AMENDMENT

In the Abstract:

Please replace existing Abstract with the following (second request):

8-phenyl-6,9-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[3,4-*i*]purin-5-one derivatives of formula (I):



(I)

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; processes for their preparation, pharmaceutical compositions containing them and their use as PDE 5 inhibitors.

REMARKS

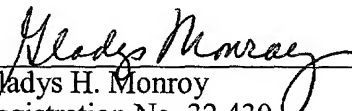
*The supplemental amendment to the specification has been made in reply to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers. The abstract along with the claims **had** been amended in a Preliminary Amendment mailed with the application at time of filing (January 25, 2002). Applicants submit no new matter by this amendment.*

In the unlikely event that the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Assistant Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 251502007500.

Respectfully submitted,

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